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1. [REDACTED] the following coal stocks, expressed in daily tons, were available to the GDR railroads between 30 June and 4 July 1955: 25X1

Railroad District	30 June	2/3 July	4 July	
Berlin	9.6	9.9	10.6	25X1
Cottbus	6.1	6.7	7.6	
Dresden	8.9	9.7	10.0	
Erfurt	8.9	9.1	9.9	
Greifswald	7.2	7.5	8.2	
Halle	9.7	9.0	9.3	
Magdeburg	10.1	11.1	12.1	
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	Hard Coal	Briquettes	Raw Brown Coal	Raw Brown Coal	Brown Coal
30 June	99,541	30,884	12,216	19,414	21,414
2/3 July	99,712	35,828	9,421	20,785	21,746
4 July	103,130	37,623	8,750	20,530	21,505

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3. Between 30 June and 4 July, the following amounts of coal were daily consumed by locomotives: 25X1

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30 June	20,612
2 and 3 July	40,687
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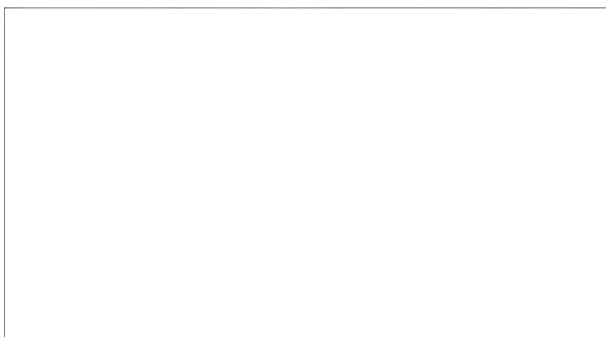
1.  Comment. Coal stocks continued to rise. Coal available on 4 July 1955 represented almost 10 days' requirements, whereas the target fixed for the end of the year was only 6 days' requirements. The increase in national coal stocks may be due to restraints made by the Ministry of Trade with Helms, Special Plenipotentiary for Fuel Supply, in March 1955.  Coal stocks representing 9 days' requirements do not yet represent 50 percent of normal stocks and do not permit major non-scheduled transportation operations.
2.  Comment. The hard coal proportion of total coal stocks was slightly decreased to 79 percent as compared with 81 percent on 1 July 1955.
3.  Comment. The daily coal consumption remained about constant.

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